Amendments of the Foreign Assistance Act to deter Pakistan from pursuing a nuclear weapons option.

(b) The US President certified in October, 1986 that Pakistan does not possess a nuclear explosive device and that US assistance significantly reduces the risk that Pakistan will possess it. The US Government claims to have clarified to Pakistan that the provisions of US security assistance require Pakistani restraint in its nuclear development programme.

(c) Government have expressed India's grave concern over the non-peaceful dimensions of Pakistan's nuclear programme, particularly in the light of recently published statements by high representatives of the Pakistani Government. It has been pointed out that US security assistance has not been a restraining factor on Pakistan. In view of the grave regional and international repercussions of Pakistan acquiring nuclear weapons, Government have impressed upon the US Administration to take all necessary steps to prevent this development.

Import of printing machines by M/s. Traders Pvt. Ltd., Bombay

1608. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1646 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th March, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M|s. Traders Pvt. Ltd., Express Towers, Nariman Point, Bombay had imported 14 printing machines from Taiwan under O.G.L. during policy period A.M. 1984-85;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this import was in violation of relevant import policy and whether the Actual User condition was complied with; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the above imported printing machines were meant for printing the editions at Ahmedabad, Baroda and Rajkot but actually they were installed at Bangalore by the Indian Express (Madurai) Pvt. Ltd and at Hyderabad by 'Andhra Prabha' Pvt. Ltd., if so, what action is being taken for violation of ITC Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) The matter will be investigated and the findings will be laid on the Table of the House.

Export of 'Q' Mark Engines

1609. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 'Q' mark engines are being exported in a considerable magnitude; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard for the last three years and the quantum of foreign exchange earned thereby?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) Engines are being exported from India. No separate figures of export are, however, being maintained by the Ministry of Commerce, in respect of 'Q' mark engines.

Textile Mills in Orissa

1610. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of textile mills in Orissa;

(b) what is the number of mills under the private management and those under the control of National Textile Corporation;

(c) whether there is any development scheme in respect of textile mills situated at Choudwar and Cuttack; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) The number of textile mills in Orissa is 12.

Management-wise break up of these mills is as under :—

(i) Private Sector . .	4
(ii) Cooperative Sector . .	6
(iii) National Textile Corporation	1
(iv) State Textile Corporation .	1

(c) and (d) The Orissa Textile Mills located in Chaudwar is implementing a scheme of renovation and modernisation at an estimated cost of Rs. 871.75 lakhs. Renovation and modernisation has been partly completed with an expenditure of about Rs. 480 lakhs. Up to 30-9-86 National Textile Corporation has spent an amount of Rs. 297.57 lakhs on modernisation of its only spinning mill, Orissa Cotton Mill, Cuttack in Orissa.

Promotion of Works Assistants as Junior Engineers in Municipal Corporation, Delhi

1611. DR. GOVIND DAS RICHHARIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of vacant posts of Junior Engineers (Electrical, Civil and Mechanical) which are lying vacant in the Municipal Corporation of Delhi and what are reasons for keeping these posts vacant;

(b) what are the recruitment rules for the recruitment of Junior Engineers (Electrical, Civil and Mechanical), indicating the departmental quota, if any, in DMC;

(c) what is the number of candidates holding degrees/ diplomas in Engineering and working as Works Assistants on Muster Roll, daily wages basis for three years or more; and

(d) what steps the Government propose to take to promote Works Assistants as Junior Engineers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) The number of vacant posts are indicated below :

(i) Junior Engineer (Civil) (for want of prepration of panel)	35
(ii) Junior Engineer (Electrical) (Due to a pending court ca e)	6
(iii) Junior Engineer (Mechanical)	Nil

(b) The recruitment rules provide for possession of a degree or diploma in engineering with 2 years professional experience. The prescribed age for direct recruitment is 25 years, relaxable upto 35 years for Government servants/MCD employees.

(c) 80.

(d) Those working as Work Assistants and possesing prescribed qualifications are eligible to apply for these posts along with candidates sponsored by the Employment Exchange. The question of promotion does not arise.

Diversion of special grant gives to MCD for Delhi Fire Service

1612. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the special grant given by the Central Government to the Municipal Corporation of Delhi for modernisation of the Delhi Fire Service after the Siddhartha Hotel fire incident has been diverted by the DMC for implementation of less important schemes;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating the amount of such grant diverted by the DMC to other schemes and what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is Central Government's reaction thereto?